

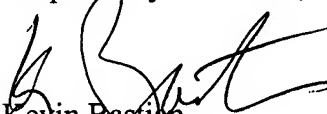
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants hereby elect the species in which the methods of the invention are carried out using ST3GalIII sialyltransferases (Claims 69 and 70). The claims have been amended to list only those claims readable on the elected species. Thus, currently pending claims 57, 59-70 and 101 all read on the elected species. In addition, claim 59 has been amended to be dependent from claim 57 to simplify the claim set. Claims 62 and 66-68 have been amended to depend from claim 57.

As noted in the Office Action, upon allowance of a generic claim (*e.g.*, claim 57) applicants are entitled to consideration of claims to additional non-elected species which depend from the allowed generic claim.

If a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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